AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity) Docket No. Applicant(s): Douglas P. Brown et al. 10150 (NCR.0063US) Examiner Group Art Unit Filing Date Serial No. Isaac M. Woo 2172 09/977,038 October 12, 2001 Index Selection in a Database System RECEIVED TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS: Technology Center 2100 Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** HIGHEST # NUMBER EXTRA **ADDITIONAL CLAIMS REMAINING** RATE PREV. PAID FOR CLAIMS PRESENT **FEE** AFTER AMENDMENT \$18.00 \$18.00 1 | x **TOTAL CLAIMS** 43 3 3 x \$86.00 \$258.00 = INDEP. CLAIMS 6 \$0.00 Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) \$276.00 TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT □ No additional fee is required for amendment. \$276.00 \mathbf{X} Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1673(10150) in the amount of to cover the filing fee is enclosed. A check in the amount of The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1673(10150) Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17. Dated: May 12, 2004 Signature Dan C. Hu Reg. No. 40,025 TROP, PRUNER & HU, P.C. I certify that this document and fee is being deposited 8554 Katy Freeway onMay 12, 2004 with the U.S. Postal Service as Suite 100 first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA Houston, Texas 77024 22313-1450 Customer No. 26890

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In response to the Office Action of February 12, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

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